

Portland O.T. April 25 1856

Dear Bush

I received yours of 20th ult- in your usual profane style-- Mc Derbin also handed me your receipt to him for the \$222.50 so that was all right. You are right your administrators will have a d--n sweet time- in collecting your traps- memoranda of which may be found on your books (?) live as long as you can for their sake and defer the trouble.

I did write you about the girl (did not you get two letter from me by last express?) I told you that I had hunted the County over for one and as yet have been unsuccessful.

Capt. (the "soi disant," another french word, Major) Trevitt is in town he dont drink but he makes use of some very vulgar expressions I am afraid the "Dalles" society has had a bad tendency-- morally speaking ---

I am glad to hear of Mr. Zerber's appointment Brown will not be nominated again by the Dems of this County.

I shall be up to Salem on Monday next.

Yours &c

John McCracken

Portland, Ct. April 25<sup>th</sup> 1866

Dear Brother I received yours of 20<sup>th</sup> ult. in your usual profane style. Mr. Curtis also handed me your receipt to him for the \$222.50 as usual and all right. I was right your admira-  
tion will have a d-n sweet time in col-  
lecting your traps - memoranda of which  
may be found in your books (?) - I am waiting  
if you can get them earlier and before the  
winter -

I did write you about the girl (did not  
you get two letters from me by last express?)  
I told you that I had written the County  
and you and as yet have been  
unsuccessful.

Capt. (the vic dicant, master fence road, Major)  
Curtis is in town he don't doubt but he  
will be in some very vulgar expressions  
I am afraid the latter Society has had a  
bad luck - morally speaking -

I am glad to hear of Mr. J. W. Brown's appointment  
Brown will not be nominated again by the  
Com. of the County.

I shall be up to Salem on Monday next.

Yours &c.

John A. Crockett